



## BALKAN ALLIES WIN ALL ALONG THE LINE

One of Greatest Battles of Modern Times Raging Near Adrianople Between Bulgarians and Turks.

### ENORMOUS LOSS OF LIFE

Decisive Result Likely To-day—Servian Army Captures Novi-pazar and Greeks Win Signal Victory at El-assyona and Serbia.

(By Cable to The Tribune.)

London, Oct. 24.—Over a front between thirty and forty miles in extent one of the greatest battles of modern times is raging between the Bulgarians and Turks in the Adrianople-Kirk Killiseh district. The fighting is of a desperate character and there has been an enormous loss of life. As all the independent observers are detained miles from the scene of battle, the only information coming through is from official sources.

This, as might be expected, is contradictory. Constantinople, on the one hand, reports the Bulgarians driven back with heavy losses, but no details are given. Bulgaria, on the other side, claims to have been successful all along the line, and supports this by giving a number of details. Several important forts around Adrianople, according to their version, were captured, and one Turkish force which made a sortie was annihilated and many prisoners were taken. It is alleged that whenever they retire the Turks are burning villages and massacring the inhabitants.

Fierce battles also are proceeding between the Turks and the Servians in the west, and the latter met a notable success yesterday, when they captured Pristina, Novipazar and other towns. In their flight the Turks have blown up bridges and abandoned stores. The Greek army also declares that the Turks are retreating before its advance.

From such accounts of the fighting at Kirk Killiseh as have been received at Sofia, it is possible to form an idea of the desperate nature of the Bulgarians. They appear to have displaced their attempts to storm the Turkish lines by the most extraordinary contempt of death. To the strains of the "Slivitzka March" infantry regiment advanced with bayonets at charge to attack the chain of hills which stretches out before Kirk Killiseh to the north, and, after a struggle lasting hours together, it fell to the fortune of the Bulgarian storming column to establish itself on the heights, though only after it had suffered terrible losses.

As to the operations in front of Adrianople, a bulletin gives very meagre information. One Bulgarian force is described as advancing on the Rogni railway to Agur, with the object of outflanking or enveloping the strong Turkish position at Kirk Killiseh. It is further stated that the Turks are burning villages on their line of retreat down the River Struma and are violating international law by bombarding undefended towns, monasteries and hospitals on the coast of Bulgaria from warships. Many specific examples of these outrages are given.

King Ferdinand was on the firing line and was greeted with boisterous enthusiasm by the advancing troops. Other reports show the steady progress of the Bulgarian forces across the frontier, bounded by the Rhodope Mountains, and the Raslog and Tarmarash districts, in which a hostile force might have threatened to cut communications between Sofia and Philippopolis, are now permanently occupied and have passed out of Turkish possession.

Messages from Constantinople show

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## STRIKING POINTS MADE FOR AND AGAINST BECKER

By JOHN F. M'INTYRE, COUNSEL FOR BECKER:

I am defending an American—not a murderer. His accusers are vile, not lovers of the flag under which we live. This trial had its birth in the hearts of four murderers—Rose, Weber, Vallon and Schepps.

The District Attorney has been misled, perhaps deceived, maybe actuated by ambition, to the end that he has fathered a prosecution "framed up" by crooks.

Think of a policeman, skilled as Becker is, instigating a clumsy job like that! If he was planning it, with his knowledge as a policeman he would have planned it otherwise.

By ASSISTANT DISTRICT ATTORNEY MOSS:

Mr. McIntyre asks if we bring good people here to testify for the people. Can we bring good witnesses here from the cesspool of life in which this defendant lived?

While others have been working with their eyes on the prizes of public life, the District Attorney and his staff have been here working on this case.

There are the men behind the guns—"Lefty" Louie, "Whitey" Lewis, "Gyp" the Blood and "Dago" Frank. There are the brains behind the guns—Rose, Vallon and Weber, and there is the will behind the guns—Becker.

### LONG PIERS FOR HOBOKEN

Army Board Favors Temporary 1,000 Foot Wharves.

Washington, Oct. 23.—Piers extending 1,000 feet into the Hudson from the New Jersey shore will be permitted if Secretary Stimson approves the report of army engineers, just completed to-day. The North German Lloyd, Hamburg-American and Holland-American lines will be benefited by the change. The army engineers recommend only temporary structures, however.

For more than two years the three lines mentioned have fought for pier lengths equal to those granted on the New York side of the river. The army board has been equally as determined to keep the Hudson's fairway clear. It was not until the possibility of the three lines establishing a new ocean terminal at Fort Pond Bay, near Montauk Point, Long Island, became almost a probability that the army men yielded.

### SCOURGE KILLS WILD DUCKS

Thousands Die from Unknown Disease in California.

San Francisco, Oct. 23.—California wild ducks are dying by thousands of a disease new to sportsmen and scientists. After examination of six ducks that died of the scourge at Vista Lake, Kern County, the United States Bureau of Health here is unable to make a diagnosis, but finds that the symptoms resemble those of an epidemic on Great Salt Lake, in which it is estimated that a million ducks died.

### TUBE SAVES JUDGE PLATT

Remarkable Gain Made After Incision of Stomach.

(By Telegram to The Tribune.)  
Hartford, Conn., Oct. 23.—Just three weeks after noted surgeons had intimated that there was practically no hope for him, Judge James P. Platt, of the United States District Court, returned to his home in Meriden to-day. He underwent an operation at the Charter Oak Hospital, in this city, on October 2, an incision being made at the pit of his stomach, after he had been literally starving for ten days because of a stricture of the esophagus. While the judge will have to be fed indefinitely through a silver tube, he has made a remarkable partial recovery and is comparatively strong, as he is able to walk about for short distances. Judge Platt is a son of the late United States Senator Orville H. Platt, to whom a memorial was dedicated at the State Capitol last week.

### SUIT OVER PERSONALITY

Guardsman Asks \$15,000 for Mollycoddle Talk.

(By Telegram to The Tribune.)  
South Norwalk, Conn., Oct. 23.—Alleging that he was a nifty-pammy soldier and unpopular with the men, Captain Albert Mossman, of the 6th Company, C. A. C., C. N. G., of this place, refused to promote Horace M. Gray from sergeant to lieutenant two years ago. Gray, who is a lawyer in New York, preferred charges against Captain Mossman. The affair smoldered for a time, but came to a climax to-day, when Gray brought suit for \$15,000, alleging that Captain Mossman's attitude and statements destroyed his military career and injured him in his profession, humiliated and shamed him, and caused him to lose many friendships. Captain Mossman comes from one of the wealthiest families of the town, while the plaintiff is the son of Charles A. Gray, an attorney of this place. In March, 1910, when there was a lieutenant's berth vacant and Gray wanted it, Captain Mossman wrote to General Cole, saying that Gray was clever, but of "such an unfortunate personality" that the company would suffer if he were advanced. Gray at once preferred charges against Captain Mossman and several other officials, alleging they were addicted to liquor and were general good-for-nothings. He was not sustained at a court martial.

### MRS. ASTOR ESCAPES ARREST

Takes Out Jersey Automobile License After Official Threat.

(By Telegram to The Tribune.)  
Trenton, N. J., Oct. 23.—Mrs. Madeline Force Astor, widow of Colonel John Jacob Astor, who lost his life on the Titanic, to-day took out a New Jersey license for her automobile. Mrs. Astor, who makes her summer home in Bernardsville, was threatened with arrest yesterday, according to a report filed with the motor vehicle department, because she was running her car in New Jersey without a license. The report says that Mrs. Astor had exceeded the fifteen-day tourist privilege and that upon promise to get a New Jersey license she was permitted to go without the embarrassment of an arrest.

## BECKER STOLID AS LAWYERS MAKE FINAL PLEAS

Expresses Confidence of His Acquittal as He Goes to Cell at the End of an Arduous Day.

### 'BRAINS OF MURDER'—MOSS

Prosecutor Unsparing in His Summing Up of State's Case, Saying Gunmen Obeyed Will Back of Conspiracy.

### M'INTYRE'S BITTER ADDRESS

Excoriates Witnesses for Prosecution—Calls Rose, Vallon, Schepps and Weber Vildest of Degenerates—Jury to Get Case To-day—Comment Unfavorable to Defendant.

It was a solemn, tired looking lot of men who filed from the jury box at the adjournment of Justice Goff's court last night. The gravity of the responsibility imposed on them in deciding the guilt or innocence of Lieutenant Charles Becker of the murder of Herman Rosenthal had been driven home to them during eight hours of summing up by counsel on both sides, in a courtroom stuffy and uncomfortable from the lack of proper ventilation. Mr. Moss, Assistant District Attorney, and John F. McIntyre, counsel for the defense, were greatly exhausted by their efforts in the last analysis of the case and opposing appeals to the jury. The judgment of Becker will rest in the hands of his peers to-day after Justice Goff interprets the law in his charge to the jury.

The closing hours of the Becker trial yesterday were perhaps the most trying to every one concerned in this remarkable case since it began, sixteen days ago. As doom or freedom loomed large in the perspective of the accused police officer his features gradually became stolid, and he sat for hours with expressionless gaze directed at the twelve men who are to render the verdict.

The terrific mental strain under which Becker is laboring at the approach of the end of his case was apparent throughout the proceedings yesterday. Under the strong and convincing accusations of the prosecutor in his summing up the melancholy expression of the defendant's face deepened, to clear again only when Mr. Moss had finished his address and the tension was broken.

Then a touching little episode occurred just before the accused man was taken back to the Tombs. His wife, who had sat through the long days of the trial, always in the same place and chair, where he might see her, made her way to the prisoners' railing and broke down as he put his arms around her shoulders and tried to comfort her. It was the first show of emotion that she had exhibited. Becker smiled as he talked to her in a low voice, and she renewed her courage shortly.

The defendant shook hands with his four lawyers at the adjournment of court and greeted several policemen who wished him good luck as he left the courtroom. The characteristic smile, which had scarcely deserted him until yesterday, came back, and he said that he felt "confident of acquittal."

### Comments Unfavorable to Becker.

The comments in the courtroom were general and unfavorable to Becker's chances of acquittal at the close of the final argument of the Assistant District Attorney. Unimpassioned, as a rule, and with cool and exhaustive analysis, Mr. Moss tore down the theory of an underworld conspiracy in which Becker had no part, which was the central theme of the final plea of the defense. He branded Becker, with iron hot from the fire of accumulative evidence piled up against him by the state, as the strong directing will power behind the whole sordid murder plot which ended in the death of Rosenthal. "Bald Jack" Rose and "Bridge" Weber were the brains of the conspiracy; "Whitey" Lewis, "Dago" Frank, "Lefty" Louie and "Gyp" the Blood were the men behind the guns, he said.

There was a distinguished gathering of spectators in the courtroom compared with other days, and many women were scattered through the crowd. The wives of some of the lawyers in the case were present, and many members of the bar had found their way into court to listen to the summing up.

There were moments of tense excitement during the pleas of both Mr. McIntyre and Mr. Moss. The members of the jury followed both men closely. Perhaps they paid a little closer attention to Mr. Moss. He was less given to high flights of explosive oratory, and on that account may have been more convincing. Both sides occupied practically the entire four hours allotted to each in the final addresses to the jury. It was 7:30 p. m. when court adjourned. Mr. McIntyre's summing up was a merciless exhortation of all the wit-

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## GENERAL FELIX DIAZ. Whose revolution in Vera Cruz was quickly put down, and who with his officers and men are to be court martialled and probably shot within 24 hours.



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### MIXED UP TWO WILSONS

Supposed Dead Man Alive and Supposed Live Man Dead.

Los Angeles, Oct. 23.—Two men named Charles E. Wilson were seriously ill at the same time at the county hospital here, and when one died, several days ago, their identities became mixed. The body of the dead Charles E. Wilson, which was on its way to Philadelphia to fill the grave intended for the other Charles E. Wilson, was halted to-day and turned back from Yuma, Ariz.

Discovery of the error was made by the supposedly dead Charles E. Wilson. He walked into a hotel where he had formerly lived and was surprised when the landlady faintly. It was explained to Wilson that the hospital had reported his death and his sister in Philadelphia had been notified. At the same time the widow of the other Wilson sent word to the hospital that she was coming to-day to attend her husband, who had been reported to her as convalescent.

The living Wilson telegraphed to his sister, Miss Clara Wilson, to-day that she might discard mourning, while the hospital authorities debated as to the gentlest means of breaking the news to the widowed Mrs. Wilson.

### AIRMAN CRUSHED TO DEATH

Louis Mitchell Killed While Making Spiral Glide.

Montgomery, Ala., Oct. 23.—Louis Mitchell, an aviator, fell two hundred feet this afternoon and was killed. Mitchell lost control of his machine while trying a spiral glide. Mitchell had been in the air before five thousand spectators for over an hour, and shortly before 5 o'clock began his descent. At a height of six hundred feet he lost control of his biplane, and at an elevation of two hundred feet it seemed to go to pieces. He was pinned under the motor and was dead when surgeons reached him.

Eugene Heth, of Detroit, Mitchell's partner, was flying directly over him. He was carrying a passenger and had planned to follow Mitchell in a similar spiral. Heth said to-night that after Mitchell lost control of his machine the planes tilted to the perpendicular so that he could see to the ground between them. Mitchell's body will be taken to-morrow to his home at Camden, Ark., for burial. Mrs. Mitchell, who was among the spectators, did not see her husband fall.

### CAPITAL WAITERS STRIKE

Leave Dinner Guests Unserved in Washington Hotels.

(From The Tribune Bureau.)  
Washington, Oct. 23.—Without a moment's warning and with hundreds of guests in the dining rooms, the waiters at the New Willard, the Raleigh and several other hotels went on a strike at 7 o'clock to-night. Only a comparatively few waiters remained, and it was necessary to attend them police protection. The strikers, all white men, paraded the streets and attempted demonstrations, but they were dispersed by the police. The managers were taken by surprise, and the dining rooms were practically closed after the waiters walked out. At the Raleigh even the cooks joined in the strike.

Edward Bloehinger, of New York, organizer for the International Hotel Workers' Union, conferred with the waiters on Sunday night, and is said to have urged a strike to demonstrate the strength of the union. The manager of the New Willard stated to-night that absolutely no demands for an increase in wages or better working conditions had been made, and that he did not know the object of the strike. A committee of the strikers will wait on the hotel managers to-morrow.

BUTTER THAT'S RIGHT—JSC. L.B. Rich in quality and absolutely fresh at Acker, Merrill & Condit Co.'s stores in Greater New York.—Adv.

## VERA CRUZ FALLS; DIAZ A CAPTIVE AND WILL BE SHOT

Federal Forces Easily Capture the Town, and a Muddle Ensues Instead of a Great Battle.

### 100 DEAD AND WOUNDED

Rebels Offer Slight Resistance to the Attacking Columns and Men and Leaders Are Made Prisoners.

### MADERO IS NOW SECURE

Crushing of Revolt Disposes of His Last Big Rival and Mexico Looks for Peace—Non-Combatants Protected by United States Guns.

(Special to The Tribune.)

Mexico City, Mex. (via Laredo Junction), Oct. 23.—The revolt of General Felix Diaz ended to-day as abruptly as it began. The federal forces regained the city of Vera Cruz after three hours of fighting. Diaz and his chief aid, Colonel Diaz Ordaz, were taken prisoners, together with all the federal soldiers who deserted to the rebel standard one week ago to-day.

Immediately on receiving official confirmation of the federal victory President Madero sent a personal telegram to General Beltran ordering him to convene a court martial to try Diaz and the other conspirators, and if guilty to execute them within twenty-four hours. This disposes of all controversy as to the fate of the rebel leaders. General Beltran is to be the head of the court, which will be composed of all the federal generals at Vera Cruz.

Although Diaz is a civilian without military standing, having resigned from the army a year ago, the statutes provide that civilians charged with the offence of conspiracy may be brought under the operation of the military law. The court will try Colonel Diaz Ordaz and all the officers of the 21st Battalion that rebelled. Privates who deserted also are to be tried, and probably one in ten will be selected by lot for execution.

Representatives of a local bank were notified yesterday by its branch at Vera Cruz that the Paris correspondent of the bank had been directed to place \$25,000 to the credit of General Diaz. The supposition is that this contribution, which was not paid over, was made by some members of the old Cientifico party, now refugees in Paris.

### Defeat of Diaz Expected.

What happened at Vera Cruz this afternoon has been foreshadowed in dispatches to The Tribune as a result of confidential information concerning the actual condition of affairs in the insurgent camp and lack of the slightest reason for believing that Diaz would not be disappointed in his expectation that the entire army would pronounce for him and against Madero.

Diaz and his men offered but feeble resistance to the attack of the federals under General Beltran. Vera Cruz was retaken with slight loss of life on either side and with little property damage.

Diaz's downfall, it is conceded here, gives immense prestige to the administration. By one decisive stroke, and contrary to the general impression of what probably would happen, President Madero has disposed of the last and most formidable rival to dispute his authority. As a result he finds himself to-night virtually as high in popular favor as when he took office a year ago. Crowds are parading the streets and thronging in front of the National Palace cheering the army and shouting "Viva Madero!"

In the opinion of foreign observers of events in Mexico, the Diaz uprising has turned out to be a blessing in disguise to Madero. It subjected the administration to the most severe test that has been put upon its stability, and proved that the loyalty of the army, which many persons were inclined to doubt, is steadfast and that no popular demand exists in Mexico for the accession to power of a military despot of the type that Diaz, had he won, undoubtedly would have been.

### May Influence Other Rebellions.

The defeat of Diaz, a nephew of the exiled President, unquestionably may be expected to dishearten Orozco, Zapata and the lesser rebel chieftains who had espoused his propaganda and were preparing to make common cause with him against Madero. To-day's victory leaves the government free to continue its aggressive campaign in other disturbed sections of the republic. The disaffected elements now are deprived of any individual of sufficient prominence and following about whom they can rally for another attempt at overthrowing Madero.

Only sufficient troops will be left in Vera Cruz to police the city. The remainder will be sent back immediately to the points from which they were withdrawn to go to Vera Cruz. Now that the defeat of Diaz is accomplished, it is no longer inopportune to say that on Wednesday night, a few hours after the Diaz uprising, Ernesto Madero, Minister of Finance, assured the Tribune

### AMERICAN TO BE DEPORTED

Mexico Calls Newspaper Man an Undesirable Alien.

(Special to The Tribune.)  
Mexico, City (via Laredo Junction), Oct. 23.—Harry H. Dunn, an American newspaper man, who has been representing a string of United States papers, has been arrested and will be deported under Article 33 of the federal constitution as an undesirable alien.

Another alien also to be deported is named Carichristi. He is said to be an Italian, who acquired prominence recently by asserting that he was the representative of General Felix Diaz here.

Dunn, who recently returned from New York, was held incommunicado to-day somewhere on the city's outskirts. He was secretly taken out of town in an automobile. Dunn's wife is a niece of Señor de la Barra, ex-Ambassador to the United States and recently chosen for a Cabinet post by General Diaz.

### PAINTED SPURIOUS NOTES

Artist Used His Brush to Counterfeit \$10 Bills.

Chicago, Oct. 23.—Louis Gagnore, who turned his talent as an artist to the painting of \$10 counterfeit government notes, was sentenced to-day to serve one year in the United States prison at Fort Leavenworth, Kan., after he had admitted his guilt. Gagnore told the court he had painted the notes so that he could support his wife and child, when he found he could not sell his pictures. The federal authorities declared the notes were so well executed that it had been difficult to discover their source.

### PASTOR DIES IN CHURCH

Stricken After Making Speech to 1,000 Baptist Delegates.

Union, N. Y., Oct. 23.—After outlining his experience in thirty years of preaching the gospel and reiterating his love of the service, the Rev. Jabez Ford, of Camden, died in the presence of 1,000 delegates to the Baptist state convention at this afternoon's session in Tabernacle Church, this city.

The convention was discussing conditions of the Church, and Mr. Ford, known as the "prince of Oneida County Baptist pastors," was heard with interest in a spirited address. He had just completed his remarks and had sat down when he died before help could reach him. His son the Rev. Spencer J. Ford, pastor of the Central Park Baptist Church, New York, was in the convention at the time. Mr. Ford was a veteran of the Civil War, having served as engineer with Company L, 15th New York. He had been a pastor in Oneida, Madison and Oswego counties. He was seventy-one years old, and his wife and son were members of this afternoon's audience.

### NEGRO WRITES AN OPERA

Barber Shop Porter Gets \$3,000 for Words and Music.

(By Telegram to The Tribune.)  
Frankfort, Ind., Oct. 23.—John Berry, a negro, who for the last three or four months has been employed in a barber shop as a porter, has come into a snug fortune and acquired considerable fame. In his idle moments wrote the words and music of a song which he sang to the men in the shop. Then he wrote words and music for a comic opera and a short story, sending them to a Chicago company. The company accepted Berry's offerings and sent him a check for \$3,000 for the comic opera, \$200 each for two sacred songs and \$67 for the story, making \$3,467.

Berry was so delighted with the success of his first venture that he resigned his work, left for his home in Muncie and will devote his time to writing music.

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